

MURRAY ART BEAT

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Action Needed! The State School Board is considering adding three extra credits for high school graduation, one in English, math, and science. If this impacts your student’s ability to balance post high school plans with individual interests and other electives, please provide input to Laurel Brown (261-4221) for Murray District or Janet Cannon (272-3516) for Granite District, State School Board representatives before May.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Messiah Sing-In, Sunday, April 9 at 7 pm at Murray High. Don’t forget to bring your chorus books.

MHS Community Art Fest is scheduled for Friday, May 12 from 10 am to 7 pm in the high school plaza area. Gifted pianist, Jon Schmidt, will be performing at 5:45 pm so bring your family. The festival will feature performing and visual artists from high school, jr high and elementary age students and community members. Everyone is invited to participate including older residents. If you are part of a performing group or would like to display your arts or crafts, please contact Audra Kasparian at 264-7460 ext 305. We need community artists!

Community Art Awards were presented to individuals who have supported the arts in Murray. Paul Sorensen, Meralee Stallings, Lynn Chatterton, and the custodial staff at Hillcrest and Riverview Jr High schools have provided significant contributions in leadership roles, direction, and behind-the-scenes support .

Miss Murray Pageant orientation is Monday, May 15 at 7 pm at Murray High in room 201. Young women between the ages of 17 to 24 years of age who are Murray residents are eligible to participate. The pageant is scheduled for September TBA. For further information, please call Leesa Lloyd at 446-9233.

Help needed. We need help with storytellers for cemetery tours, hosts for the secondary art show, and evening ushers for the summer Arts in the Park series. Call 264-2638.



MARK YOUR CALENDAR!!

For place, time, and ticket info, phone 264-2614.

Apr 9	Messiah Sing-In, MHS. Bring chorus books
Apr 1-29	Literary Winners on Display - Library
Apr 27	Charlotte’s Web Auditions
May 2-4	Secondary Art Show at Fashion Place Mall
May 12	MHS Art Fest
May 13	Murray Concert Band (HJH)
May 15	Miss Murray Pageant Orientation
May 16-17	Joseph Auditions
May 20	Murray Symphony Concerto Night (MHS)
May 26	Arts in Park Kickoff - Blues Band
June 3	A Funny Thing Happened Auditions
June 5	Music Entries Due
June 6	Lunch Concerts Every Tues @ noon
June 6	Marching Band Camp Begins at RJH
June 9	Children Matinee Series Every Fri @ 2 pm
June 12	Family Night Series, Heritage Center
July 4	Murray Fun Days Celebration
July 10	Family Night Series - Heritage Center
Aug 7	Drama and Summer Band Clinic begins
Aug 14	Family Night Series - Heritage Center

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CALL FOR ENTRIES

Secondary art show featuring the artistic talents of Murray's youth in grades 7-12 is set for May 2-4 at the Fashion Place Mall. This show will include artwork from students of Murray High and Cottonwood High which are both within Murray City boundaries. Cash awards will be given to first place entries in the high school division and ribbons will be given for junior high winners. Entries are due to the Murray Parks Office or local art teachers no later than May 1 and are limited to Murray residents or students attending public schools in Murray in grades 7-12. If space cannot accommodate all entries, the entries will be juried for display. Entry forms and rules may be picked up from the Murray Parks office or local art teachers.

Murray Historic Photo Competition entries are due April 7 to the Murray City Museum in City Hall or Murray Parks Office. Photos must reflect an historic element of Murray City history before 1950 and can include people, businesses, events, or places. Photos submitted to the Museum during the past year will also be considered. Entry forms are available at the museum or parks office.

Music composition and arranging competition entries are due June 5 in the Murray Parks and Recreation office. Limited to Murray residents, entries may include original compositions or arrangements for piano, instrumental ensembles, vocal solos, or ensembles with or without lyrics. Entries must include notated music and/or a tape of the music. Winning entries will receive cash awards and an opportunity to perform the entry where feasible. Entry forms are located at the Murray Parks Office.

Auditions

Auditions for the children's musical **Charlotte's Web** will be held Thursday, April 27 from 5:30 to 9:30 pm at Murray High band room. Roles are open for children and adults ages 8 and up. Those auditioning will do cold reading from the script. Children should prepare a favorite song and adults should prepare 16 bars from a classic musical theater show. Call backs by invitation only are scheduled for Saturday, April 29 from 9:30 am to 1:30 pm at Hillcrest Jr High auditorium and will include singing, reading, and dancing. Directed by Shawnda Moss, performances are scheduled for June 22-26.

Auditions for **Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat** will be held Tuesday and Wednesday, May 16 and 17 from 7 to 9 pm at Taylorsville High School Choral Room, 5400 South Redwood Road. Call backs by invitation only are set for May 20. Those auditioning should prepare 16 bars of music from an upbeat song and be prepared to demonstrate dancing ability. Accompanist will be provided. All roles are open for ages 16 and up. Produced by the Murray Arts Council and direction by Steven Schmidt, performances are scheduled for July 27 through August 2.

Auditions for **A Funny Thing Happened on the Way to the Forum** will be held on Saturday, June 3 from 9 am to 12 noon at Murray High band room (southeast entrance). Please come prepared with 16 bars of an upbeat Broadway song. An accompanist will be provided. Callbacks will be on Tuesday, June 6 at 7 pm by invitation only. All roles are available for those 18 and older. The show is under the direction of Jim Smith, choreography by Margene Conde, and music direction by Alyse Shattuck. Performances are scheduled for August 17-22.

AWARDS

Literary Competition Exhibit will be on display in the Murray Library during the month of April. Some of the winning entries will also be compiled and made available for public view at the library. Congratulations to Gae Cowley for her grand prize entry, *Christmas Happens*. Other first place winners are David R. Christensen in the novel category, Judy Little in Children's Lit, Gae Cowley in Short Story, and Dr. Bobbi Andersen in Poetry.



Murray City Float Designed by Students

To celebrate Murray School District's 100th birthday, Murray City invited the gifted and talented program for the school district to create and design ideas for Murray's annual city float. The teachers from this program liked the idea and created units around float design as part of their Creative Pursuits Bowl. The students were required to combine the themes of the school district centennial celebration theme "A Legacy of Learning" and the July 24th parade theme of "Pioneer Dreams...Stepping Stones for Generations."

Winning entries from each school presented skits and float models as part of the overall judging. The winning float design, titled "Hooked on Generations of Learning", came from five 6th grade students at McMillan Elementary including Paige Henry, Zachary Kastelic, Camrey Bagley, Jaclyn Carter, and Greta Wallengren. Design Werks fine-tuned the initial design and the students will visit Design Werks as the float is constructed. The float will be unveiled, weather permitting, at the Murray High Art Fest on Friday, May 12. Designs from all schools will also be on display for the community to enjoy throughout the day and evening. The winning design team will ride in front of the float and additional students will carry extra "schools of fish" as part of the Murray parade. The float will also travel to an additional 10-12 parades throughout the Salt Lake Valley including the July 24th parade. The City expects this float will win a number of awards.